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New Federal Buildg

OPENING AND PUBLIC VIEW OF
NEW FEDERAL BUILDING ON
THE EVENING OF FEB. 9

The formal opening of Cookeville's splendid new United States post office and courthouse building has been postponed until Feb. 9.

Superintending Architect Parker states that a delay in shipping some of the equipment was due to an epidemic of lagrippe among factory hands, but that the building will positively be opened on Feb. 9, and the post office and internal revenue services will be in the new building ready for business on Feb. 10.

The building, brilliantly lighted throughout will be open to the public on the evening of Feb. 9 from 7 to 9 o'clock.

At 8 o'clock the people will assemble in the court room, where services of a dedicatory nature will be held. A number of prominent United States officials will be present, among them being Judge E. T. Sanford, Marshal Jonas Amis, Attorney Lee Douglass, Collector E. B. Craig, Revenue Agent Yelowly, Clerk H. M. Doak, Congressman Hull and others, including Prof. P. L. Harned, president of the State Board of Education. Each of these gentlemen will make a few remarks, as will Mayor Holladay and other citizens of Cookeville.

This will be a great event in the history of Cookeville, and the only time our people will ever have an opportunity to witness such an occasion. They are cordially invited to be present and participate in the formal inspection and opening of the first Federal building in any small city in the United States.

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS

Over in the east you will find Monterey,

Fair Monterey, far, far away;

Cookeville comes next, enter there if you may,

Living is high, board's hard to pay.

Three County High Schools that work with a zest,

Fight disease and vice, or any other pest,

Never let ignorance have any rest,

Gentry High is best,

Over in the west.

I don't know, Mr. Editor, that Monterey is 'fair'. I don't know that living is high and board hard to pay in Cookeville; I don't know that 'Gentry High is best, over in the west.' The verse above is a stanza of one of our school songs, and school songs are not always sworn to tell the truth. However, the three lines just above 'Gentry High is best, over in the west.' I am sure are very true, and I desire, in brief way, to bring it to the minds of parents in Putnam county, that those three county high schools should be patronized to the limit, if there is any limit. There's no age limit, and very likely the Board of Education would defy the people of the county to patronize the high schools to a capacity limit. Send the children that are prepared, to some high school.

Those desiring to enter Gentry High, if they do so at once, may secure beginning work in the 8th and 9th grades. Some Teacher Training work, with Reading Circle books available, will be given if there is sufficient demand for such work.

They are without excuse, whoever they be in Putnam county, that fail to secure high school education.

Putnam county, Putnam county, Tennessee, Tennessee, Gentry High, Gentry High, For education.

Keep Putnam county to the front by boosting her high schools.

ROUTE TWO

Health is not very good in this community.

Mrs. Catherine Allison is very sick with lagrippe.

John Randolph who has been sick for some time is slowly improving.

Sunday school at this place is progressing nicely.

Didn't Elma Howell look good Sunday.

Milburn McCaleb looked lonesome Sunday evening.

Hello, Wade Bray and Everett Lee, of Kentucky, write and let us hear from you through the Herald.

Hello, Rinda Lollar of Oklahoma why don't you write to the Herald.

Nobody's Darling.

A good town will do more to keep the boys a theme than good advice.

SHORT COURSE IN AGRICULTURE

To be Held in Cookeville on
Feb. 7 to 12

The following letter from Prof. Blair Harrison is self explanatory:

Editor Herald:—Enclosed please find a notice of the Agricultural Short Course to be held in Cookeville from Feb. 7 to 12. This course will be held in the high school building for the first five days and in the courthouse for the last day, Saturday, Feb. 12. The speakers will be members of the Division of Extension and University of Tennessee, and all of them recognized authorities on their subjects. There are no charges in connection with this course, and I would appreciate a notice in your paper to this effect. Much good can be obtained by attendance at this course by any farmer, and any good you can do toward this end will rebound to the benefit of Putnam County.

Schedule of speakers and their subjects will be sent in next week. Each meeting will commence at 9:30 a. m. and close at 3:00 p. m., one hour being allowed for dinner. Blair Harrison, Co. Agt.

JURY DISAGREES

In the case of Silas Anderson and Ed Vickers tried last week on a charge of killing John Hall, resulted in the jury disagreeing.

The case of State vs Willie Sadler is being tried in criminal court for the fourth time.

MRS. JOHN B. DOW

A telegram was received last night by Willis Dow stating that Mrs. John B. Dow had died yesterday afternoon at Buena Vista, Colo. She will be brought to Cookeville for burial and the funeral will be held next Sunday if there is no delay in making the trip.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

A civil service examination will be held on Feb. 12 to fill the position of fireman-laborer at the new Federal building in Cookeville; salary \$600 per annum. Age limit 20 to 50 yrs. For application and examination blanks see or address, Postmaster, Cookeville, Tenn.

WEATHER REPORT

Attention is called to the fact that Gainesboro Telephone Co. subscribers can have all weather reports free of charge by simply calling up the local exchange after ten in the morning and requesting the weather forecast of the operator.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

At the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning, Jan. 30th, the pastor will preach from the text, "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." After the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

At 3:30 in the afternoon the recently elected officers of the Junior C. E. Society will be installed and the pastor will preach a children's sermon illustrated by candles.

REUBEN MEDLEN

Reuben Medlen died at his home in this city, Sunday, Jan. 23, 1916, after an illness of about ten days. He is survived by his wife and one son.

STONEWALL, OKLA., R. 1

Dear Herald Family: How are you all enjoying this fine zero weather. The writer would enjoy it better if my clothes were thicker.

T. A. Davis visited the writer Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Gibson visited Mrs. Tindie Davis last week.

The W. O. W. lodge is progressing fine. Mrs. Grace Price has received a thousand dollar check from the W. O. W. headquarters in which her husband was carrying insurance when he was killed. Hurrah for woodcraft.

There has been a Woodman Circle formed at Pleasant Hill and Lillie Gibson and Tennie Davis will have to ride the goat.

Hello aunt May of Monterey; give the news from there.

Hello, cousin J. H. Davis of Georgia, would like to hear from you.

Come again Monterey Route 1 with the news.

Wanette, what is wrong with you. Foyil, Okla., are you all dead.

Hello, Cookeville Route 2 writer, you will have to send J. O. Davis some medicine for he has the lagrippe.

J. L. Davis

Don't forget the Short Course in Agriculture—

DO YOU BELONG?

If you like the old town best,
Tell 'em so!
If you'd have her lead the rest,
Help her grow!
When there's anything to do
Let the fellows count on you!
You'll feel bully when its through
Don't you know!

If you want to make a hit
Get a name!
If the other fellow's it
Who's to blame?
Spend your money in the town,
Where you pull the shekels down;
Give the mail concern a frown—
That's the game!

If you're used to giving knocks,
Change your style!
Throw bouquets instead of rocks
For a while.
Let the other fellow roast,
Shun him as you would a ghost
Meet his hammer with a boast
And a smile.

When a stranger from afar
Comes along,
Tell him who and what we are—
Make it strong.
Needn't flatter, never bluff,
Tell the truth, for that's enough
Join the boosters—they're the stuff,
Let's belong! —Clyde (N.Y.) Herald.

STORY HOUR

Mrs. McDearman told stories Friday afternoon to the children of the primary grades. Mrs. McDearman is a very attractive story teller and her stories were enjoyed by all hearing them. She told two lovely stories from Mary Stuart—"How the Shepherd Told Them" and "Princess Meadowlark."

Dr. Walter McLain was in charge of story hour for the intermediate grades, telling in his interesting way the first of a series of nature stories to be taken up by the League.

For the remainder of the year the League will endeavor to stress Nature Stories, realizing as it does, that no more marvelous story book has ever been written than the "Story Book of God," filled with beauties more fantastic than the "Blue Bird," and wonders more magical than "Aladdin's Lamp."

Once upon a time a great child lover wrote to a great nature lover these lines:

And Nature, the old nurse, took
The child upon her knee,
Saying: "Here in a story book
Thy Father has written for thee."

"Come wander with me," she said,
"Into regions yet untrod,
And read what is still unread
In the manuscripts of God."

And he wandered away and away
With Nature, the dear old nurse,
Who sang to him night and day,
The rhymes of the Universe.

And whenever the way seemed long,
Or his heart within him failed,
She would sing a more wonderful song,
Or tell a more marvelous tale."

—Longfellow to Agassiz.

KEY

Health is not very good in this community as there are several cases of lagrippe.

Miss Mary Orum who has been sick for quite a while is slowly improving.

Haskell Clark visited Leslie Pendergrass, Sunday.

Vallie Nash is on the sick list.

Come on Julia and Hattie Henry of Sparta, Route 8, your letters are fine.

Arthur Cumbee was seen going towards J. L. Pendergrass', Sunday.

Wonder if he wanted his horse shod.

Assa Selby from Petoka, Ind., has been visiting in this part for a short while.

Dimple Loftis says she likes valleys but Hills best.

Frank Johnson was seen going toward Lan Farley's Sunday.

Misses Tina and Lucile Baker visited Kitty Pendergrass, Saturday.

Hello, Anne, of Ochopee, Ga., write often, your letters are fine.

Wonder if B. S. has been to Doyle lately?

Jeff Howard from Quebec, is visiting his son-in-law, Vasco Crowder.

Key Sports.

LADIES AID SOCIETY

A well attended meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church was held Monday afternoon with Mrs. V. E. Bockman. Two new members were elected to membership in the Society.

Much enthusiasm was manifested by the members and the work has begun with vim and everything gives promise that this will be one of the most successful years of the Society.

The ladies of the Aid Society are very grateful to Mr. Arch Trawick (a staunch Methodist) of the firm of Phillips-Trawick Co., who presented to them, through his popular representative, Mr. William Hensley, three 3lb cans of Capitol Blend Coffee, which they served last week with their delightful dinners.

The ladies feel that the success of their dinners is very much due to their having used such good coffee.

WASHINGTON MORGAN

Washington Morgan died Jan. 16, 1916, at his home at Butler's Landing in Clay county. He was 85 yrs. old, being the oldest child of the late Austin Morgan. He was a brother of Campbell, Dillard, and Perry Morgan of this city.

PLEASANT HILL

Was very sorry to hear of the death of our relative, Marion Loftis at Nashville.

Who said A. Murphy had to send his son Marion to Pleasant Hill to town.

Wonder if Hobert Allen has got to Cookeville yet.

Frank Southard who has been sick for some time, has returned home today, (Monday).

Is Dewey West still in the sourwood district on Sunday?

Wonder if George Loftis has the hall swept yet.

If Birdwell Lee don't quit going out in town he is going to get in trouble.

We are having a good and quiet school, since quite a few have left on account of sickness.

Birdwell Lee says if he has any folks anywhere he would like to know it.

Lost Boys.

OVERLAND AUTOMOBILE GIVEN AWAY

The Southern Woman's Magazine is giving away a Five-Passenger, Model 83, \$750.00 Overland Touring Car, Complete with all modern equipment including Electric Starter, Light, etc. This car is awarded to the publisher of the Southern Woman's Magazine claim this to be one of the most liberal offers they have yet made.

This is no 'catch penny' contest but a fair and legitimate offer. Car will be awarded June 1st. Full particulars may be had by addressing Southern Woman's Magazine, Nashville, Tenn.

"POLY" CONTRACT LET

Fulcher Brick Co. to Build New School for \$61,761

The contract for the erection of the new polytechnic school buildings at Cookeville was this morning awarded to the Fulcher Brick Co. of this city by the committee from the state board of education, the contract price being \$61,761, that being the lowest bid submitted to the committee, ranging as high as \$69,077.

The contract specifies that the work shall be completed by the first day of September, next, and calls for the erection of two brick dormitories and the remodeling of the old Dixie University administration building.

The new school will open about the first of September under the supervision of the state board.

Asmus and Norton of this city are the architects.

The polytechnic was provided for by the last legislature, 2 per cent. of the high school fund being appropriated for the erection of the buildings and the maintenance of the school.

Among the local donations which have already been paid over to the state treasurer for the school were \$50,000 from Putnam county and \$25,000 from the city of Cookeville. The entire Dixie College plant, including a 20-acre campus and a three story building, was also donated to the new school.

The building committee which awarded the contract today is composed of L. A. Ligon of Carthage, chairman; Harry A. Luck of Nashville, P. L. Harned of Clarksville, Prof. J. H. Byars of Huntingdon and State Superintendent S. W. Sherrill.

The school is located in a section where it is expected to achieve great good for the surrounding territory. —Nashville Banner.

TO THE TEACHERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY

I would respectfully call your attention to the short course in Agriculture to be given at the Central High School in Cookeville Feb. 7-12, and urge that every rural teacher who can possibly do so, make arrangements to attend. I urge this for your benefit as well as that of the pupils whom you may teach. Why? Let me tell you something. The state is going to require you to teach elementary agriculture in your schools in a very short while, and it may be next fall. You want to be successful in your work, and the State will expect you to be. Nearly all of you are now wholly unprepared to teach this subject. You can get a fund of practical information by attending these meetings, and it will cost you nothing but your time. There are many fads in education, but the teaching of agriculture is no fad, and it has come to stay as certain as this nation continues to exist. In fact the life of the nation depends on it. The nation is calling its teachers to the rescue. Let us be prepared.

J. M. Hatfield, Co. Supt.

MT. PLEASANT

We have been having some cold weather in our community. Cutting wood and building fires has been the order of the day.

We have had a lot of sickness in our community.

Mrs. M. C. Wood has been sick with lagrippe and isn't improving very much.

Mrs. C. C. White is getting along fine at this time. I think she will soon be well again.

Wonder how Jimmie Walker is getting along. I hope he will soon get well, so he can visit his old friends again.

Hello, Miss Zola Phillips. We have our big lamp up at Mt. Pleasant now and I think it is a beautiful one and everybody who has seen it likes it fine.

Hello, Myrtle Robertson of Wapette, Okla., come again with your letters to the Herald. I like them fine.

Come again with your letters, Brown-Eyed Girl of Macedonia, for I think I know you, and like your letters fine.

John H. Stone and Calvin Keys are regular visitors at J. M. Swallows.

Come again you Brotherton people, your letters are fine.

Wonder if Haskell Huff has ever wrote to Parsetta Swallows.

Wake up you Douglass Chapel people and write a letter to the Herald, and tell us all the news.

Candy Heart.



Mt. View Lodge, No. 179, I O O F met at the usual hour, 7 p. m., Jan. 22, 1916, Jas. H. McCulley, N. G., presiding with a good attendance. Quite a lot of routine business was disposed of.

Bro. C. Bradford is still improving slowly.

Last week's sick benefits shows to be the smallest in number and amount of any in four years. The benefits are paid weekly, as the law directs.

One petitioner for the initiative (elected two weeks ago) was introduced and duly initiated.

The four Garrison children will perhaps be taken to the I O O F Home within a week or ten days, thus proving that to be the best investment, Bro. Garrison ever made was the I O O F. His children will now be boarded, clothed, and educated by some 30,000 men standing behind the institution. It does seem that examples like this should put a stop to being dropped for non-payment of dues. A brother can better afford to borrow money to keep his dues paid in advance than for anything else. There will be work in the 1st degree next meeting. Let us have a large attendance.



Cookeville Camp No. 12,248 held a good meeting last Tuesday night, Consul Chas. Stanton presiding. A good crowd of neighbors were present. Besides transacting the regular business, three applications for new membership were presented, and one candidate was admitted to the hall and shown some of the mysteries of woodcraft.

There are now several candidates awaiting the arrival of their benefit certificate, to be adopted as neighbors.

Every neighbor should attend—it helps the officers put on the work and impresses the candidates. Come out.

COOKEVILLE ROUTE 2

Mrs. John Randolph, who has returned from the St. Thomas Hospital at Nashville, after having undergone a serious operation is getting along fine.

Who said Cora C., lost one of her shoes the other night and couldn't find it? If any one finds it return it to Cora as she hasn't but one shoe.

John Randolph, who has been sick for some time, is slowly improving.

If anybody is planning to buy an automobile, see Henry Carmichael. He says he is agent to sell them.

Hello, Two Chums, come on with your letters.

Say, Mary Lee McCormick, how do you like your new home?

Say, J. H. M., have you ever given any more pictures away.

Wonder if Fannie B. still likes brown beans?

Say, Rinda L., how do you like the West. Fine I guess, but what you miss your car. Rat ha!

Say, P. L. B. I am still looking for that picture.

Say, O G H, why don't you answer my letter. I guess you are having a big time.

Wonder if John Grant has ever got married yet? He says his girl hasn't seen enough of those moving picture shows and automobiles. I guess his fine cement mansion and stork and clay chimney are about done.

Hello, J V R, how are you by now? You just ought to be back on Route 2. I got that card all right.

Hello, Willie and Notie F., how are you both? Say, Notie, have you ever eat any more sweet pickles? I haven't.

Hello, Lissie Williams, how are you by now? Fine I hope. Have you forgotten the 24th of last January? It will be long remembered by me.

Miss Cora Carr visited Mrs. Everett Montgomery, Saturday night.

Hello, Alonzo Maddux, here I come with another letter. I received your nice card all right. Best wishes to you for a happy New Year.

Wade Russell visited his brother, Sam Russell, Saturday night.

Hello, Bertha, R., why don't you write to the Herald.

Come on you writer on Sparta Route 8.

Hello Oda F., what did you do for Christmas. I guess you was surprised when you got that present.

Susie Bell.

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